GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4397
ANSWERED ON:25.08.2005
TIME FOR BROADCASTING PAURI AND GOPESHWAR
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the period for which programmes are broadcast daily from Akashwani Kendras at Pauri and Gopeshwar in Uttaranchal;

(b) whether the Gopeshwar Kendra is working merely as a relay centre;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the time by which the same is likely to be upgraded as a broadcasting centre;

(d) whether some posts in various categories are lying vacant at these Kendras;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the time by which these are likely to be filled up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING & CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a): Prasar Bharati has informed that daily transmission timings of AIR, Pauri is from 1655 hrs to 2130 hrs and AIR, Gopeshwar is from 1745 hrs to 2130 hrs.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) to (f): Prasar Bharati has informed that due to difficulties in recruitment there is no proposal at present to upgrade AIR, Gopeshwar as an originating Station or fill up the vacant posts.